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THE FRISBIES' FOURTH.

BY R. L. KETCHUM.

Mr. Frisbie set down his cup with a satisfied sigh, and leaning back in his chair, smiled blandly at Mrs. Frisbie, who beamed at him from behind the coffee pot. Then he took a sweeping glance around the board at the little Frisbies, who, for the moment, were not making any noise.

Mr. Frisbie cleared his throat impressively. "My dear," said he, "I have a little plan."

"Yes?" said Mrs. Frisbie, interrogatively.

"To-morrow will be the Fourth," went on the head of the house, ponderously, "and I have a plan to propose for spending the day. This boiling of drums and screaming of fifes, this blare and confusion and sound of alleged music are all very painful to me, and I have stood it as many times as I propose to do."

Of course, Mrs. Frisbie and the children were delighted, and it was immediately decided that Papa Frisbie was a brick to think of this plan.

There was not much time in which to get ready. Mr. Frisbie's conscientious preparations were necessary beyond the purchase of the fireworks that he conceded to be indispensable to a proper celebration of the Fourth, but, fortunately, Mrs. Frisbie, woman-like, thought of a thousand things that had to be attended to, and, all that long day, while Papa Frisbie was in the kitchen, she was in the city laying in fireworks and things, Mamma Frisbie and the cook baked and cooked and mixed and stirred, getting things ready for the picnic that was to be held on the hill.

At a late hour that night, Mamma Frisbie decided that all the necessary preparations were made, and fell into sleep with a sigh of relief—but not to sleep. She was too tired to sleep; besides, some of the little Frisbies, who slept in adjoining rooms, were very restless and wakeful, and persisted, in spite of protests, in carrying on shrill conversations about the coming treat.

Moreover, Mamma Frisbie was one of those nervous people who are afraid of the alarm clock, and the alarm clock won't go off at the right time, and who think it their duty to be awake and

wait for the clock to show that it is still to be depended on.

Finally, about the time the small hours were beginning to thrill of getting larger, she fell asleep, only to be awakened in about five minutes by Mr. Frisbie, who had gotten up to see what time it was.

"James, do come back to bed and keep quiet, can't you?"

James came back to bed and quiet reigned for a time. Then, about an hour before the alarm clock was due to declare itself, the boom of cannons and the splutter of firecrackers announced the glorious Fourth, and the Frisbie family arose because they could do nothing else. None of them awoke particularly good-natured, and the way the little Frisbies acted about getting dressed would have tried a saint.

Then, when they had had a hasty breakfast, and all was ready, there was the spirit to the station. Papa Frisbie, with his two hundred-odd pounds, galloped on ahead to secure tickets, while Mamma and Mamie and the cook followed along with the baskets and hampers and cuffed and herded the band of young Frisbies, who were inclined to loiter, despite their eagerness to get off.

They arrived at the little cross-road station safely. Much to Mamma Frisbie's relief. There was no conveyance waiting to take them to the farm, so they had to wait about the station until it arrived. This interval was improved by the small Frisbies to good advantage, so that by the time the big wagon arrived, Willie had smeared his nose with eight dollar suit with axle grease, Freddie had hurt his finger fooling around with a coupling-pin, and Alice created some excitement by falling off of a big yellow dog, who was one of the young man's attentions, and showed his resentment by taking a mouthful of leg and trousers—most likely Mr. Frisbie's, woman-like, fortunately, dogs are partial to pants.

At last they landed at the Alex. Andreyew Yellow farmhouse, in fairly good condition, and Papa and Mamma Frisbie thought their troubles were over, but this is where Mr. Frisbie made a mistake. Mr. Frisbie had hardly gotten settled, to smoke a restful cigar with his host, and his better half to indulge in a little talk with the hostess, when there was a wild scream from the barnyard, whither some of the youngsters had flown immediately upon their arrival. There was a rush to the rescue on the part of all hands.

Small Janet had had the temerity, argued and abetted by her brothers, to make faces, at close range, at a lordly turkey gobbler, and now, with braids flying and eyes starting from her head, was fleeing in terror from the bird's wrath, her short fat legs making but indifferent time.

At the moment, Mrs. Frisbie was pausing upon her at every step, looking fierce enough to frighten even an older person than five-year-old Janet.

Janet was rescued and her parents went back to the house to rest and enjoy themselves, and had gotten comfortably seated when another scream brought them to their feet. This time it came from the mill pond, close by, and the way Papa Frisbie made time in that direction was well worth seeing.

It was Mamma, this time. Mamie

was sixteen, and felt herself quite a young lady. Mr. Billings, the host, had a younger brother who worked in his store, and this callow youth immediately fell a victim to the charms of the elder daughter of the house of Frisbie, who proudly took possession of him. Together they wandered down to the pond to take a row, and then there did Mamie proceed to step backward off the landing into just enough water to soak her thoroughly, new hat, new dress and all.

Before dinner-time came, Alice had another accident. This time he fell out of the hayloft and sprained his wrist, thereby succeeding in placing to his credit another sensation. Willie was lured by a frolicsome bull-calf, just before the bell rang for dinner, but this affair was of small moment, as his appetite exceeded his desire for sympathy.

When, after much bustle and confusion, they were all (with the exception of Mamie, who was hiding her mortification and drying her clothes) bundled into the wagons, with the prospect of a day outdoors and supper in the woods, over by the creek, where Papa Frisbie proposed to fish, there was another diversion. Clouds began to gather, and it was quite apparent that it was going to rain. It did rain, too, and they all got pretty wet, and by the time it stopped raining, their clothes were dry, it was too late to think of a picnic, even if the ground hadn't been wet.

Then Freddie and a calf STRUCK OUT. Willie sneaked out to the stable to play in the mud with the results usual in a case of that kind, plus a spanking administered by their long-suffering mother.

But the protestants made the howling success of the day. If there was anything Papa Frisbie prided himself on, it was his ability to handle fireworks.

He did very well at first, and the audience on the veranda cheered with vigor his feats with a long Roman candle and a couple of rockets. Then he tackled a pin-wheel, a big fellow that seemed to run things for itself, for, before Mr. Frisbie gave it the word, and just as soon as he touched a match to it, it licked out behind, jumped around in the air and fell back into the big box of fireworks.

Here was a demonstration! It did not take Mr. Frisbie long to decide that his grace was no longer required, and he started to fly, but, but to relate, he happened to step across the cross-road ground, and struck at least one victim. At any rate, he fell the ground quite hard, and there he lay, howled for help, while Roman candles shot him and rockets hissed and every other devilish invention in that box came forth to smother him hip and thigh.

At two o'clock, on July 3, as Mrs. Frisbie was having put the children to bed with weary hands, endeavoring to abate the sufferings of her lord and master, that person expressed his sentiment in regard to the way some people spent the Fourth.

"Might," he said, in a tone of deep disgust, "just like a woman. Weren't satisfied of course, to stay quietly in town, but had to go chasing off into the blooming country. Catch me indulging any more of your crazy freaks!"

Mrs. Frisbie, who is a meek little woman, didn't say a word.

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